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VIENNA FOR RPO

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SUBJ: CODEL BINGHAM/WHALEN

REF: A. STATE 031403 B. BUDAPEST 0429

1. REP. CHARLES WHALEN ARRIVED BUDAPEST APRIL 5
ACCORDING TO PLAN. UNEXPECTED HEALTH PROBLEMS WHICH
OCCURRED EARLIER PART OF TRIP FORCED CANCELLATION
VISIT REP. AND MRS. JONATHAN BINGHAM.

2. REP. WHALEN WAS SPEAKER AT SEMINAR ON ROLE OF
CONGRESS IN U.S. FOREIGN POLICY WHICH WAS HELD APRIL 6
AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED REFTELS A, B. PROGRAM AT PAO
RESIDENCE ATTENDED BY TWENTY MEDIA LEADERS FROM TV,
RADIO AND PRESS AS WELL AS MFA AND KKI.

3. AFTER INTRODUCTORY REMARKS LASTING APPROX. 25
MINUTES, A LIVELY TWO-HOUR QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION
ENSUED, WHICH COVERED ALMOST EVERY CONCEIVABLE FOREIGN
AFFAIRS TOPIC OF CURRENT INTEREST ALONG WITH SEVERAL
DOMESTIC SUBJECTS. REP. WHALEN, A HIGHLY EFFECTIVE
SPEAKER WHO IS EXCEPTIONALLY WELL-INFORMED AND
CONVERSANT WITH FOREIGN AFFAIRS TOPICS, ANSWERED
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QUESTIONS WITH AN OPEN AND FRANK APPROACH WHICH

DELIGHTED THE AUDIENCE.

4. PROGRAM WAS ONE OF SERIES OF REGULARLY HELD
SEMINARS FOR MEMBERS OF MEDIA AND GOVERNMENT AUDIENCE
GROUPS WHOSE OBJECTIVE IS TO ACQUAINT THEM WITH US
FOREIGN POLICY AND HOW IT IS MADE. SO FAR THERE HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN AVAILABLE PROMINENT POLITICAL AND
GOVERNMENT LEADERS VISITING HUNGARY WILLING TO PARTICIPATE
IN PROGRAM. POST HOPES DEPT. AND AGENCY WILL CONTINUE
TO SUPPORT SEMINAR SERIES BY ENCOURAGING PROSPECTIVE
VISITORS TO TAKE PART.
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